

# STATE OF NEVADA COMMISSION ON MINERAL RESOURCES

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#### COMMISSION ON MINERAL RESOURCES

Washoe County Commission Chambers 1001 E. 9<sup>th</sup> Street #A101, Reno, NV 89512

Thursday, May 9, 2019 1:00 P.M.

#### <u>AGENDA</u>

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

The Agenda for this meeting of the Commission on Mineral Resources has been properly posted for this date and time in accordance with NRS requirement.

#### **ROLL CALL**

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC

Pursuant to N.R.S. 241, this time is devoted to comments by the public, if any, and discussion of those comments. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item on the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on a successive agenda and identified as an item for possible action. Public comments may be limited to 5 minutes for each person.

ACTION WILL NOT BE TAKEN

#### I. AGENDA

A. Approval of the Agenda

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

#### II. MINUTES

A. Approval of the February 7, 2019 meeting minutes

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

#### III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Presentation of the 2017-2018 Exploration Survey

FOR DISCUSSION ONLY

The survey was completed in April, 2019 in time for Exploration Day at the Legislature, Funding for the survey comes from the CMR Author Mike Ressel, NBMG, will present highlights.

B. Las Vegas Natural History Museum Update

FOR DISCUSSION ONLY

The Museum Director informed NDOM that they had a setback in funding for their new space, but has asked that NDOM complete the interactive exhibit and place it in the existing museum. Lucia Patterson.

C. <u>Update of Internal Controls for Abandoned Mine Lands Public</u> Hazard program and long-term forecast of Activity – Rob Ghiglieri FOR DISCUSSION ONLY

#### D. AME Roundup in Vancouver, January 20-23, 2020

With the success of the Nevada trade booth and presence at PDAC, it was suggested by the CMR at the February meeting that attendance at the AME Roundup in Vancouver be investigated. Division staff has complied information on this event, and costs for one Division Staff to attend in 2020 to evaluate. Rich Perry

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

# E. 2018 Nevada Mineral, Geothermal and Oil production

Operators are required to report production by the end of April of each year. This will be the first presentation on calendar year 2018 mineral production for the State. Mike Visher

# FOR DISCUSSION ONLY

#### IV. OLD BUSINESS

### A. Open-Data site additions

A new page has been added to the Division's open data site. the page, titled "Nevada Claims, notices and plans of operation has all mining claims that have ever been staked in Nevada, and all notices of intent and plans of operation where bonds have/had been obligated. Lucia Patterson will present the new page.

## FOR DISCUSSION ONLY

#### B. PDAC Recap

Rob Ghiglieri will provide a presentation of Nevada's trade booth and presence at the Prospectors and Developers Association of Canada meeting held March 3-6, 2019 in Toronto.

#### FOR DISCUSSION ONLY

#### C. 2019 Legislative Session Update

Rich Perry will provide an update on legislation effecting minerals, geothermal and oil/gas and important dates for the remainder of the session.

# FOR DISCUSSION ONLY

#### D. <u>Division Financials and Recommendations</u>

Division staff was instructed at the last CMR meeting to re-evaluate the necessary 6-month operating reserve under the current budget. With claim fees and geothermal fees now collected, and the 2020-21 biennial budget approved by the Legislature, the Division can forecast the reserve for the next several years and make recommendations to the Commission on the minimum reserve amount and if a claim fee reduction is appropriate. Mike Visher

## **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

#### **COMMISSION BUSINESS**

A. Next Commission meeting set for August 15, 2019 at the Humbolt County Courthouse in Winnemucca, with a tour of the Hycroft Mine the following day.

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#### **ADJOURNMENT**

#### NOTICE TO PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

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The Commission will be attending a field trip on Friday 5/10/19 to Ormat's Steamboat Geothermal facility in South Reno. The Commission will meet at Ormat's front gate located at 1010 Power Plant Dr., Reno, NV 89521 at 9 a.m. Closed toe shoes are required; Ormat will supply hard hats and safety glasses. Members of the public may attend but must provide their own transportation and safety equipment. Advanced notification is required. Please call Sherrie Nuckolls at (775) 684-7043.